## CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Checkmate Boats 3691 State Route 4 Bucyrus, OH 44820

Re: Follow up to General Notice and Request for Information Pursuant to Section 104 of CERCLA for Chemical Recovery Systems, Inc., 142 Locust Street, Elyria, Ohio 44035

Dear Sir or Madam:

On November 9, 2001, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) issued a General Notice and Information Request to you pursuant to the Federal Superfund law, Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e). This General Notice and Information Request was delivered to you by certified mail. The Information Request required that Checkmate Boats provide certain documents and information within 30 days of your receipt of that letter.

On February 22, 2002, U.S. EPA sent a followup enforcement letter. A copy of the General Notice and Information Request was enclosed with that letter. The followup enforcement letter required that you provide information in response to the questions of the Information Request within 15 days of your receipt of this second letter.

Although both deadlines have passed, U.S. EPA still has not received your response to its Information Request. To assist U.S. EPA in gathering information about contamination at the Chemical Recovery Systems, Inc., Site, please provide a complete response to the General Notice and Information Request within **10 days** of your receipt of this letter. A copy of the updated General Notice and Information Request letter is enclosed.

If you have not responded to the Information Request because you are concerned that your responses may contain information that you consider *confidential*, **please be advised that you cannot withhold information or records upon that basis**. Please refer to Enclosure 5 of the enclosed General Notice and Information Request to assert a business confidentiality claim.

Continued failure to comply with U.S. EPA's Information Request, or to adequately justify such failure to respond, may subject Checkmate Boat to enforcement action

seeking to compel compliance and collect penalties of up to \$27,500 per day of noncompliance pursuant

to Section 104(e)(5) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e)(5). U.S. EPA has the authority to use

the information requested herein in an administrative, civil, or criminal action.

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Send your response to the Information Request to:

Deena Sheppard-Johnson
Enforcement Specialist
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Remedial Enforcement Support Section
77 West Jackson Boulevard SR-6J
Chicago, IL 60604-3590

Please contact Deena Sheppard-Johnson, Enforcement Specialist, at (312) 886-7048 if you have questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret Herring, Acting Chief Remedial Enforcement Support Section

Enclosure: General Notice and Information Request Letter of October 9, 2003